

The Stage

By BIDE DUDLEY

EDDIE DOWLING, comedian in "Sally, Irene and Mary," believes the dramatic critics have become followers of Dr. Coues. "Lately," says Eddie, "their criticisms appear to have been written after hours of chanting to themselves, 'Day by day, with each new play, I am getting bitter and bitter.'"

"HOSPITALITY" TO OBLIGE. "Why Not?" the new Equity play which opens at the 14th Street Theatre on Christmas night, will be presented at a special invitation performance on Saturday evening next. In order that this may be done "Hospitality," the current Equity play at this theatre, will close Friday night.

A UNIT MARRIAGE. Florence Schubert, who is the deserted bride in "The Whirl of New York," a Schubert Unit, now at the Harlem Opera House, has been a bride in real life since Saturday. On that day she was married to Ray

Farcella, a dancer in the same show. Miss Schubert is a Chicago girl, but her husband cannot complain about that—he's from Derby, Conn.

ITS FOURTH BILL. The fourth bill of the season at the Threshold Playhouse consists of "The Clock," by Robert Courtney; "Ask Out," by Gladys Hall and Dorothy Donnell; "The Calm Sea," by Evelyn Emery, and "The Way," by Lindley Wilson Cook.

CHRISTMAS MUSIC. Beginning tomorrow at noon the spirit of Christmas will reach Broadway with the singing of carols and Yuletide songs in the Palace Theatre where, by a special arrangement between Father Finn and E. F. Albee, Father Finn's Paulist Chorists, eight-five in all, will give a free program. The singing will be repeated daily at noon until Christmas.

A BIG BENEFIT. Under the direction of E. F. Albee, a big benefit show will be held at the Lexington Theatre on Sunday night, Feb. 11, to aid the welfare work at the Manhattan State Hospital, Ward's Island, and the King's Park

State Hospital. Keith acts will make up the entire bill.

A WISE BOW-WOW. Bertha Knight, actress and wife of Tyrone Power, has a dog. "What does he eat?" "ometody asked recently. "Everything," replied Miss Knight, "except dog biscuits."

GOSSIP. "The Yankee Princess" will go on tour after the holidays. There will be matinees of "The Bunch and Judy" on Christmas and New Year's.

Jane Ellison and Fay Courteney have been added to the cast of "Tiger Lily."

"Blossom Time" was produced last night in London under the management of Alfred Butt.

Marceline, the clown, has appeared just 5,000 times on the Hippodrome stage. A special program of Christmas cards will be sent by the People's Chorus at the Riverside Theatre Dec. 21 and 22. Because of delay in the receipt of stage equipment, "Johannes Krieger" will not open at the Apollo until Saturday night. John Halliday has been added to the

cast of "The Masked Woman," opening at the Eltinge Friday.

A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY. The worst criminal is the good man gone wrong.—Pinkiepeare.

FOOLISHMENT. "Where are you going my pretty maid?" "I'm going smoking, sir," she said.

"May I go with you, my pretty maid?" "Sure, if you'll work the pump," she said.

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